

PHARMACY BOARD[657]

Adopted and Filed

Rule making related to pharmacist licenses

The Board of Pharmacy hereby amends Chapter 2, “Pharmacist Licenses,” Iowa Administrative Code.

Legal Authority for Rule Making

This rule making is adopted under the authority provided in Iowa Code section 147.76.

State or Federal Law Implemented

This rule making implements, in whole or in part, Iowa Code sections 147.2, 147.36, 155A.7, 155A.8 and 155A.9.

Purpose and Summary

The amendment permits an applicant who is not eligible for a social security number but who has an individual tax identification number (ITIN) to provide that ITIN on the application for licensure by examination. Such applicant shall also be required to provide proof of presence such as a permanent resident card, employment authorization document issued by the federal government, or certain types of visas.

Public Comment and Changes to Rule Making

Notice of Intended Action for this rule making was published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on October 11, 2017, as **ARC 3369C**. No public comments were received. No changes from the Notice have been made.

Adoption of Rule Making

This rule making was adopted by the Board on January 17, 2018.

Fiscal Impact

This rule making has no fiscal impact to the State of Iowa.

Jobs Impact

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found. Amending the application requirements in this manner may make it a bit easier for foreign applicants who do not yet qualify for a social security number to obtain employment in their profession in a more timely manner, but the amendment is not expected to impact many individuals.

Waivers

Any person who believes that the application of the discretionary provisions of this rule making would result in hardship or injustice to that person may petition the Board for a waiver of the discretionary provisions, if any, pursuant to 657—Chapter 34.

Review by Administrative Rules Review Committee

The Administrative Rules Review Committee, a bipartisan legislative committee which oversees rule making by executive branch agencies, may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this rule making at its regular monthly meeting or at a special meeting. The Committee’s

meetings are open to the public, and interested persons may be heard as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.8(6).

Effective Date

This rule making will become effective on March 21, 2018.

The following rule-making action is adopted:

Amend subrule 2.2(1) as follows:

2.2(1) Required information. The application for examination shall require that the applicant provide, at a minimum, the following: name; address; telephone number; date of birth; social security number or individual tax identification number (ITIN); name and location of college of pharmacy and date of graduation; one current photograph of a quality at least similar to a passport photograph; and internship experience. If the applicant provides an ITIN in lieu of a social security number, the applicant shall also provide acceptable proof of lawful presence. Each applicant shall also declare the following: history of prior pharmacist licensure examinations and record of offenses including but not limited to charges, convictions, and fines which relate to the profession or that may affect the licensee's ability to practice pharmacy.

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